

**REMARKS**

It is noted, with the appreciation, that the Examiner has indicated that the Applicants remarks in response to the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as set forth in the previous Office Action were persuasive in overcoming the rejection and accordingly, the Examiner has withdrawn the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103 and has entered a new ground of rejection as set forth hereinbelow.

Claims 1, 2 and 6–13 have been rejected by the Examiner under 35 U.S.C. § 112, paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of which the Applicants regard as the invention. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

On page 3 of the Examiner's Office Action letter, the Examiner has suggested certain wording to be inserted into claim 1, which would eliminate the Examiner's rejection of the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. As the Examiner will note, claim 1 has been amended as recommended in the Office Action letter and similarly, claim 12 has also been amended in the same manner. Accordingly, it is now believed the present application is in condition for allowance and thus reconsideration of the rejection and allowance of all of the claims of the present application are respectfully requested.

**Conclusion**

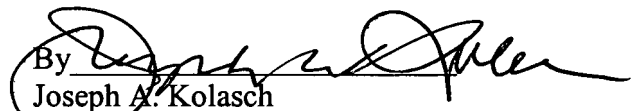
In view of the above remarks, it is believed that claims are allowable.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Joseph A. Kolasch, Reg. No. 22,463, at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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